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1. WE HAVE RE-CHECKED AVAILABILITY OF WORLD FOOD COUNCIL, FAO AND WORLD FOOD PROGRAM OFFICIALS. ABSENT THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD WILL BE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JOHN HANNAH, AND DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SARTAJ AZIZ (TEACHING IN ENGLAND) BUT ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HARRY WALTERS (U.S.) WILL BE HERE. DAWSON OF WORLD FOOD PROGRAM PROBABLY WILL BE HERE. AVAILABILITY OF SOME TOP FAO OFFICIALS IS IMPOSSIBLE TO DEFINE AT THIS MOMENT BECAUSE FAO DIRECTOR-GENERAL SAOUMA APPARENTLY IS DEFERRING OR CANCELLING HIS LEAVE AND HIS IMMEDIATE SUBORDINATE MAY HAVE TO ADJUST ACCORDINGLY. WEST MAY ACCORDINGLY BE AVAILABLE, AND YRIART PROBABLY WILL BE IN ANY EVENT. MAHAJAN IS ON HOME LEAVE, RETURNING AUGUST 9. (WE ARE UNABLE TO IDENTIFY KARL WAHREN OF WFP, AND BELIEVE NAME HAS BEEN GARBLED). BEST WE CAN DO AT THIS MOMENT IS AGAIN TO ASSURE CODEL OF ACCESS TO HIGHEST OFFICIALS IN ROME AT THE TIME WHICH MAY BE IMMEDIATE SUBORDINATES OF PERSONS NAMED IN REFTEL, IF SUPERVISORS ARE ABSENT. WE WILL REPORT MORE DEFINITELY ON AVAILABILITY OF FAO SCHEDULES AS SOON AS FAO COUNCIL MEETING IS FINISHED AND FAO SCHEDULES ARE DETERMINED. VOLPE

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